GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR MUSEUMS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government funds the various museums in States;

(b) if so, the amount sanctioned to various States for the purpose during last three years; year-wise;

(c) whether any museum in Orissa has been renovated with Central assistance;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to extend Central funding for the development of museum at Dhenkanal which is facing serious financial crunch; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) & (b) : No, Sir.

(c) to (e) : Government of India provides financial assistance for professional development of Museums managed by voluntary organisations, institutions, societies, trust, local bodies etc. as well as those managed by the State Governments under the Scheme `Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums`.During the last three years, financial assistance given to museum in Orissa is as under:

Sl.No	Name of the Museum	Grant approved
1.	Orissa State Museum, Bhubaneswar	2,25,000/-
2.	Folk and Tribal Art Museum, Bhubaneswar	7,00,000/-
3.	Anchalika Kunjeswary Sanskrutika Sansad Sevanchal, Kanas, Puri	18,750/-
4.	Ganjam Lok Kala Museum, Ganjam	1,12,500/-

No proposal for development of Museum at Dhenkanal has been received from the State Government for financial assistance.